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13 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
14 **CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

15 TESORO REFINING & MARKETING
16 COMPANY LLC, a Delaware limited
liability company,

17 Plaintiff,

18 v.

19 SB GAS & WASH MANAGEMENT,
20 INC., a California corporation; and
21 AHMAD ABADI, an individual,

22 Defendants.

Case No. 2:18-CV-04895-SVW-MAA

[Judge Stephen V. Wilson]

**DECLARATION OF ASHLEY
VINSON CRAWFORD IN SUPPORT
OF PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR
ENTRY OF DEFAULT JUDGMENT**

Date Action Filed: June 1, 2018

DECLARATION OF ASHLEY VINSON CRAWFORD

I, Ashley Vinson Crawford, hereby declare:

1. I am a partner with the law firm Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP, counsel of record for Tesoro Refining & Marketing Company, LLC (“Plaintiff”) in the above-captioned matter. I have personal knowledge of the matters stated herein, and if called upon to do so, I could and would testify competently as to such matters.

2. On August 20, 2018, the clerk of the court entered default against Ahmad Abadi and SB Gas & Wash Management, Inc. (“SB Gas”) after Ahmad Abadi and SB Gas failed to respond to the complaint in this action within the required time period.

3. Although notice pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 55(b)(2) is not required because neither Ahmad Abadi nor SB Gas has appeared personally or by a representative in this action, I caused to be mailed a letter dated August 23, 2018 on behalf of Plaintiff to Ahmad Abadi providing notice to Ahmad Abadi and SB Gas of Plaintiff’s intent to move for default judgment against them and the damages that Plaintiff seeks.

4. Attached as Exhibit 1 is a true and correct copy of a letter dated August 23, 2018 that was sent on behalf of Plaintiff to Ahmad Abadi.

5. On August 24, 2018, my law firm received confirmation from UPS that “ABADI” had signed for this letter.

6. I have not received any response to this letter from Ahmad Abadi or SB Gas.

7. SB Gas is a company and therefore not a minor, an incompetent person, or a member of a branch of the U.S. military (as to whom the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act might apply).

8. Attached as Exhibit 2 is a true and correct copy of the results from a September 6, 2018 search for the records of Ahmad Abadi on the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (SCRA) Website, which show that Ahmad Abadi is not in active U.S. military service. Therefore, the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act does not apply here.

